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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, PO

SUBJECT: GUINEA-BISSAU ATTENDANCE AT LOS CONFERENCE

1. CHARGE WAS CALLED TO FONOFF NOVEMBER 29 WHERE DEPUTY DIRGEN POLITICAL AFFAIRS CONDE MADE REQUEST THAT U.S. DENY VISAS TO GUINEA-BISSAU REPS GOING TO NEW YORK TO ATTEND LOS PRELIMINARY CONFERENCE. CONDE SAID HE SEEMED TO RECALL THAT U.S. HAD DENIED VISAS TO VIET CONG REPS AND THAT THEREFORE THAT MIGHT SERVE AS A PRECEDENT IN THIS CASE.

2. CHARGE SAID THAT HIS UNDERSTANDING WAS THE UNGA, DESPITE U.S. OPPOSITION, HAD APPROVED GUINEA-BISSAU PARTICIPATION IN THE LOS CONFERENCE. HE POINTED OUT WHILE U.S. DOES NOT FEEL THAT GUINEA-BISSAU HAS ATTRIBUTES OF A NATION AND HAS THEREFORE WITHHELD RECOGNITION AND OPPOSED GUINEA-BISSAU PARTICIPATION IN UN BODIES, THIS IS QUITE DIFFERENT FROM THE QUESTION OF VISAS FOR GUINEA-BISSAU REPS COMING TO ATTEND UN SPONSORED FUNCTIONS FOR WHICH THEY HAVE BEEN APPROVED AS PARTICIPANTS. HE POINTED OUT THAT U.S. WAS OBLIGATED BY ITS HEADQUARTERS AGREEMENT WITH UN TO ISSUE VISAS IN SUCH CASES AND HE HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF ANY VIET CONG PRECEDENT TO THE CONTRARY. HE POINTED OUT THAT EVEN  
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IF IT WERE POSSIBLE TO DENY VISAS, THAT WOULD BE

POLITICALLY UNWISE BECAUSE IT COULD WELL PREJUDICE  
VOTING IN THE LOS CONFERENCE FOR REASONS UNRELATED TO  
THE ISSUES. SUCH A RESULT WOULD BE PREJUDICIAL TO  
BOTH U.S. AND GOP INTERESTS. HE AGREED HOWEVER TO  
TRANSMIT CONDE'S REQUEST TO USG.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE CONFIRM LINE TAKEN ABOVE  
OR PROVIDE OTHER INSTRUCTIONS.  
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